CLAIMS

We claim:

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- 1. A method for enhancing an immune response in a patient having a disease or condition, comprising administering to the patient a composition comprising a non-specific xenotypic antibody, wherein the xenotypic antibody does not specifically bind to an antigen associated with the disease or condition, whereby an immune response is enhanced.
- The method of claim 1, further comprising administering to the patient a second composition comprising a specific xenotypic antibody that specifically binds to the antigen associated with the disease or condition.
 - 3. The method of claim 2, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody enhances the immune response generated by the specific xenotypic antibody.
 - 4. The method of any one of claims 1, 2, and 3, wherein administration of the non-specific xenotypic antibody composition elicits a host anti-xenotypic antibody (HAXA) response in the patient.
 - 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the patient is a human.
 - 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody is a murine antibody.
- 7. The method of claim 2, wherein the specific xenotypic antibody is a murine antibody.
 - 8. The method of claim 6 or 7, wherein the specific murine antibody elicits a host anti-murine antibody (HAMA) response.

9. The method of claim 1, wherein administration of the non-specific xenotypic antibody increases presentation of an antigen associated with the disease or condition by an antigen-presenting cell.

- 10. The method of claim 3, wherein administration of the non-specific xenotypic
 antibody enhances an antigen-specific immune response in the patient.
 - 11. The method of claim 10, wherein the antigen-specific immune response comprises generation of a T cell that specifically recognizes the antigen after administration of the composition.
 - 12. The method of claim 11, wherein the T cell is a CD4+ T cell.
- 10 13. The method of claim 11, wherein the T cell is a CD8+ T cell.
 - 14. The method of claim 1, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody composition further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
 - 15. The method of claim 2, wherein the specific xenotypic antibody composition further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 16. The method of claim 1, wherein the non-specific xenotypic composition is administered in a dosage of from about 0.1 μg to about 2 mg of the xenotypic antibody per kilogram of body weight of the patient.
 - 17. The method of claim 1 or 2, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody is a monoclonal antibody.
- 20 18. The method of claim 1 or 2, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody is a polyclonal antibody.

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19. The method of claim 2, wherein the non-specific and the specific xenotypic antibodies are from the same species of animal.

- 20. The method of claim 2, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody composition is administered to the patient prior to the specific xenotypic antibody composition.
- 21. The method of claim 20, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody composition is administered to the patient one week prior to the specific xenotypic antibody composition.
- The method of claim 20, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody
 composition is administered to the patient one month prior to the specific xenotypic antibody composition.
 - 23. The method of claim 2, wherein the specific xenotypic antibody composition is administered to the patient prior to the non-specific xenotypic antibody composition.
- 15 24. The method of claim 23, wherein the specific xenotypic antibody composition is administered to the patient one week prior to the non-specific xenotypic antibody composition.
 - 25. The method of claim 23, wherein the specific xenotypic antibody composition is administered to the patient one month prior to the non-specific xenotypic antibody composition.
 - 26. The method of claim 2, wherein the non-specific xenotypic antibody composition and the specific xenotypic antibody composition are co-administered to the patient.

27. The method of claim 26, wherein the co-administration is in a single formulation.

- 28. The method of claim 26, wherein the co-administration is in two formulations.
- 5 29. The method of claim 10, wherein the specific antibody elicits an antigenspecific immune response comprising either a B cell with surface bound immunoglobulin that specifically binds to the antigen after administration of the composition, or an antibody that specifically binds to the antigen after administration of the composition.
- 10 30. The method of claim 10, wherein the antigen-specific immune response comprises generating T cells that specifically recognize the antigen after administration of the composition.
- 31. The use of a non-specific xenotypic antibody as an adjuvant, wherein the non-specific antibody is not immunoreactive with an antigen for which an
 15 immunogenic response is desired.
 - 32. The use of a non-specific xenotypic antibody in the formulation of a medicament for use as an adjuvant, wherein the non-specific antibody is not immunoreactive with an antigen for which an immunogenic response is desired.
- 33. A kit comprising the non-specific xenotypic antibody of claim 1 labeled for use as an adjuvant.
 - 34. The kit of claim 33, further comprising the specific antibody of claim 2.
 - 35. The method of claim 1, wherein enhancement of the immune response allows for an enhanced response against a disease-associated antigen.

36. A vaccine formulation including one or more antigens for which vaccination is desired and at least one xenotypic antibody not cross-reactive with the antigens of the vaccine, wherein the xenotypic antibody is provided in an amount to act as an adjuvant.

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